

*Serial No. 10/817,058**Response***Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace the paragraph starting at page 9, line 6, with the following amended paragraph.

The activity (in units) of erythropoietin and erythropoietin -like molecules is traditionally defined based on its effectiveness in stimulating red cell production in rodent models (and as derived by international standards of erythropoietin). One unit (U) of regular erythropoietin (MW of ~34,000) is about 10 ng of protein (1 mg protein is approximately 1000,000 U). Thus a dose of 50 U/kg would be equivalent to 500 ng/kg or 0.5 ~~mg/kg~~ µg/kg.